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E.O. 11652: GDS

TA S: BDIS, CPRS, KE, US

SUBJECT: EXPULSION U.S. BUSINESSMAN

REF: (A) STATE 011614; (B) NAIROBI 00521

1. AFTER SEVERAL POSTPONEMENTS, ESSO AFRICA VICE PRESIDENT LYDDON FINALLY SUCCEEDED IN SEEING VICE PRESIDENT MOI ON JANUARY 29. ACCORDING TO LYDDON, MOI WAS QUITE PLEASANT DURING MEETING, BUT MADE IT COMPLETELY CLEAR THAT THERE IS NO REPEAT NO POSSIBILITY OF SKANE'S PERMANENT RETURN TO KENYA AND THAT EVEN BRIEF RETURN TO HELP PACK UP FAMILY WOULD HAVE TO BE APPROVED BY PRESIDENT KENYATTA HIMSELF. HOWEVER, MOI SAID THAT HE WAS GOING TO MOMBASA NEXT WEEK TO SEE PRESIDENT AND OFFERED TO DO WHAT HE COULD RE POSSIBLE TEMPORARY RETURN OF SKANE. LYDDON, WHO IS RETURNING TO LONDON TODAY, PLANS TO PHONE MOI'S OFFICE ON FEBRUARY 8 TO FIND OUT WHETHER SKANE CAN RETURN. HE PROMISED TO INFORM EMBASSY OF OUTCOME.

2. WHEN LYDDON ASKED MOI WHETHER MRS. SKANE AND CHILDREN ARE UNDER PRESSURE TO LEAVE KENYA, MOI  
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REPLIED THAT SHE COULD STAY AS LONG AS SHE WANTS TO.

DEPENDING ON WHAT NEW ASSIGNMENT IS GIVEN SKANE,  
MRS. SKANE MAY OPT TO REMAIN IN NAIROBI UNTIL END OF  
CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR.

3. WHILE AIRING OF INCIDENT IN PRESS SEEMS INCREASINGLY  
REMOTE AS TIME GOES ON, BUSINESS COMMUNITY IN KENYA  
INCREASINGLY AWARE HIS ABRUPT DEPARTURE. IN RESPONSE  
TO QUESTIONS FROM LOCAL RESIDENTS, ESSO OFFICIALS  
HERE PLAN TO CONFIRM THAT SKANE LEFT AT REQUEST OF  
KENYAN AUTHORITIES THROUGH NO FAULT OF HIS OWN, BUT  
THAT THIS WAS ISOLATED INCIDENT WHICH HAS IN NO WAY  
AFFECTED ESSO OPERATIONS IN KENYA.  
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